

MICHAEL F. EASLEY GOVERNOR

NATIONAL GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION CENTENNIAL

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt hosted the first meeting of the nation's governors at the White House to discuss conserving America's natural resources; and

WHEREAS, governors decided to form an association through which they could come together in a bipartisan manner to discuss mutual concerns; and

WHEREAS, one hundred years later the National Governors Association serves as the collective voice of the 55 governors of states, commonwealths and territories; and

WHEREAS, throughout history governors have leveraged the organization's strengths to demonstrate state leadership on diverse issues and have played a key role in shaping public policy and developing solutions to America's most pressing challenges; and

WHEREAS, the National Governors Association is celebrating 100 years of gubernatorial leadership: honoring the past, celebrating the present and embracing the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby recognize the "CENTENNIAL OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION," commend the leadership of the nation's governors and honor their contributions to American politics and society, and encourage all citizens of North Carolina to support and promote this observation.



MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.